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**FEDERAL APPEALS COURT SEEKS COMMENT  
ON REVISED ATTORNEY MISCONDUCT RULES**

BOSTON (July 17, 2002) – A revised set of misconduct rules governing attorneys who practice before the 1<sup>st</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals is being released today for public comment.

The amended rules are available on the court's Web site at [www.ca1.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca1.uscourts.gov) and in hard copy at the Office of the Clerk, located on the second floor of the John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way, in Boston.

The rule changes, largely procedural in nature, are intended to modernize the disciplinary proceedings; in general, the substantive obligations of attorneys are unchanged.

The revisions will take effect Aug. 1, but are subject to further consideration by the court after review of public comments and an assessment by the court's advisory committee, whose membership primarily consists of practicing private and government attorneys.

The deadline for commenting is Nov. 1. Comments should be sent to: Office of the Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way, Suite 2500, Boston, MA 02210.

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